

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BUFFALO)	
TRAIL WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR A)	CASE NO.
RATE ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT TO 807 KAR)	2021-00205
5:076)	

COMMISSION STAFF'S SECOND REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
TO BUFFALO TRAIL WATER ASSOCIATION

Buffalo Trail Water Association (Buffalo Trail Water), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested herein is due on July 30, 2021. Pursuant to the Commission's Orders in Case No. 2020-00085,¹ issued March 16, 2020, and March 24, 2020, Buffalo Trail Water SHALL NOT FILE the original paper copy of all requested information at this time, but rather shall file original paper copies within 30 days of the lifting of the current state of emergency. All responses in paper medium shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 16, 2020), Order at 5–6. Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC Mar. 24, 2020), Order at 1–3.

preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

Buffalo Trail Water shall make timely amendment to any prior response if Buffalo Trail Water obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which Buffalo Trail Water fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, Buffalo Trail Water shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, Buffalo Trail Water shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Identify the number of new water connections that Buffalo Trail Water installed in calendar year 2020.
2. Provide the method and amount of labor and materials recorded for each new water connection used during calendar year 2020.
3. Provide copies of the cost justification sheets Buffalo Trail Water filed with the Commission to support its \$600 Tap-on Fee for its water division. If no copies are

available, provide a cost justification based upon the document found in Appendix B for the 5/8-Inch x 3/4-Inch Meter Connection Tap-On Charge.

4. Refer to the tariff currently on file with the Commission for Buffalo Trail Water. Provide copies of the cost justification sheets Buffalo Trail Water filed with the Commission to support each nonrecurring charge listed in the table below. If no copies are available, provide a cost justification based upon the document found in Appendix A for each nonrecurring charge listed in the table below.

a.	Meter Turn-On Charge	\$40
b.	Meter Test Charge	\$70
c.	Meter Re-read Charge	\$40
d.	Meter Re-setting Charge	\$40
e.	Service Call/Investigation Charge	\$40
f.	Service Line Inspection Charge	\$40
g.	Service Reconnection Charge	\$80
h.	Service Trip Field Collection Charge	\$40
i.	Returned Check Charge	\$25
j.	Late Payment Penalty	10%
k.	Lock Removal Charge	\$45

5. Refer to Commission Staff's First Request for Information, Item 5. Provide a schedule listing each late payment penalty that Buffalo Trail Water billed and collected in the calendar year 2020.

6. Provide the number of occurrences in the test year that Buffalo Trail Water adjusted a customer's bill due to a leak.

a. Provide the dollar amount customer's bills were adjusted due to a leak for the test year.

b. Provide the gallons of water for the test year that was billed at the leak adjustment rate.

7. Provide the number of occurrences in the test year that a meter was misread and provide the individual amounts of the bill adjustments.

8. Provide the number of occurrences of billing errors and the dollar amount of the adjustment.

9. Confirm that USDA/RD requires that Buffalo Trail Water charge rates that produce net revenues that are at least 110 percent of its average annual debt payments.



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DATED JUL 16 2021

cc: Parties of Record

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
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NONRECURRING CHARGE COST JUSTIFICATION

Type of Charge: _____

1. Field Expense:

A. Materials (Itemize)

_____	\$ _____
_____	_____
_____	_____

B. Labor (Time and Wage)

Total Field Expense \$ _____

2. Clerical and Office Expense

A. Supplies \$ _____

B. Labor _____

Total Clerical and Office Expense \$ _____

3. Miscellaneous Expense

A. Transportation \$ _____

B. Other (Itemize)

Total Miscellaneous Expense \$ _____

Total Nonrecurring Charge Expense \$ _____

APPENDIX B

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
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**AVERAGE METER CONNECTION EXPENSE
COST JUSTIFICATION**

Name of Utility _____

The following is an itemization of expenses for providing a metered service connection.

A. Meter Size

5/8-Inch 3/4-Inch 1-Inch 1 1/2 -Inch 2-Inch

Other (specify) _____

B. Materials Expense

	<u>Unit Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Water Meter	_____	_____	_____
2. Meter Yoke	_____	_____	_____
3. Corporation Stop	_____	_____	_____
4. Meter Box and Top	_____	_____	_____
5. Miscellaneous Fittings	_____	_____	_____
6. Other (Itemize)	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

TOTAL MATERIALS EXPENSE \$_____
(add total cost)

C. Service Pipe Expense

Type of Service Pipe _____ Size of Service Pipe _____

	<u>Unit Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Short Side Service	_____	_____	_____
2. Long Side Service	_____	_____	_____
AVERAGE SERVICE PIPE EXPENSE (add total cost and divide by 2)			\$ _____

D. Installation Labor Expense

	<u>Total Hours</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Short Side Service	_____	_____	_____
2. Long Side Service	_____	_____	_____
AVERAGE INSTALLATION LABOR EXPENSE (add total cost and divide by 2)			\$ _____

E. Installation Equipment Expense

	<u>Total Hours</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Short Side Service	_____	_____	_____
2. Long Side Service	_____	_____	_____
AVERAGE INSTALLATION EQUIPMENT EXPENSE (add total cost and divide by 2)			\$ _____

F. Installation Miscellaneous Expense

	<u>Total Hours</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Inspection	_____	_____	_____
2. Site Clean-Up	_____	_____	_____
3. Other	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
AVERAGE INSTALLATION MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE (add total cost)			\$_____

G. Overhead Expense

1. Installation expense (\$_____) times
overhead rate (_____%)

\$_____

H. Administrative Expense

1. Office expense for establishing a new account
and billing record.

\$_____

I. Total Expenses

Materials Expense \$_____

Service Pipe Expense _____

Installation Labor Expense _____

Installation Equipment Expense _____

Installation Miscellaneous Expense _____

Overhead Expense _____

Administrative Expense _____

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